

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DARIUS DE'MON LAKE,
Plaintiff,
v.
A. OBOYLE, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:23-cv-01306-DJC-AC

DARIUS DE'MON LAKE,
Plaintiff,
v.
PATRICK COVELLO, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:23-cv-01311-DMC

DARIUS DE'MON LAKE,
Plaintiff,
v.
JEREMY ROWE,
Defendant.

No. 2:23-cv-01518-TLN-KJN

RELATED CASE ORDER

1 Defendant has filed a notice of related cases in all of the above-captioned
2 actions. Examination of these actions reveals that they are related within the meaning
3 of Local Rule 123(a). Here, all cases (1) involve the same Plaintiff, as well as some
4 overlapping Defendants, and (2) involve the same use of force incident and its
5 immediate aftermath, giving rise to common questions of fact. See E.D. Cal. L.R.
6 123(a). Accordingly, the assignment of these matters to the same judge and
7 magistrate judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and be
8 convenient for the parties.

9 The parties should be aware that while relating cases under Rule 123 causes
10 the actions to be assigned to the same judge, it does not consolidate the actions.
11 Under Rule 123, related cases are generally assigned to the judge to whom the first
12 filed action was assigned.

13 As a result, it is hereby ORDERED that 2:23-cv-01311-DMC is reassigned from
14 Magistrate Judge Dennis M. Cota to the undersigned, and 2:23-cv-01518-TLN-KJN is
15 reassigned from Judge Troy L. Nunley to the undersigned. Henceforth, the caption
16 on documents filed in the reassigned cases shall be shown as 2:23-cv-01311-DJC-AC
17 and 2:23-cv-01518-DJC-AC, respectively.

18 It is further ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make appropriate adjustment
19 in the assignment of civil cases to compensate for this reassignment.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: **January 3, 2024**


Hon. Daniel J. Calabretta
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE